



## **Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works**

**Date:** November 8, 2012

**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Subject:** **Winter St NE Reconstruction: Designation, Cost Estimate, Set Public Hearing, Set Public Hearing for Areaway Abandonment**

### **Recommendation:**

- A. Passage of a Resolution designating the location, streets, and improvements proposed to be made in the Winter St NE Reconstruction Project No 2226 street improvement project.
- B. Adoption of a Committee Report receiving the cost estimate of \$4,930,000 for the street reconstruction project, the list of benefited properties, directing the City Engineer to prepare a proposed Street Construction Special Improvement Assessment against the list of benefited properties by applying the 2013 Uniform Assessment Rates and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a Project Approval and Assessment Public Hearing to be held during the last meeting in January 2013 before the Transportation and Public Works Committee.
- C. Setting of a public hearing to be held during the last meeting in January 2013 before the Transportation and Public Works Committee to consider the abandonment and removal of areaways in conflict with the street construction project and directing staff to give notice in accordance with the provisions of Section 95.90 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances

### **Previous Directives:**

- February 28, 2012, Council Action approving the layout for the Winter St NE Reconstruction project.

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### **Approved by:**

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Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenters:** Christopher M. Engelmann, Project Engineer, Department of Public Works, Transportation Planning & Engineering

### **Reviews:**

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval <u>N/A</u>	Date _____
Civil Rights Approval	Approval <u>N/A</u>	Date _____
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval <u>N/A</u>	Date _____

## **Financial Impact**

No financial impact

Action is within the Business Plan

## **Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification: Three public meetings were held to solicit input from the surrounding property owners.

City Goals:

Comprehensive Plan:

Zoning Code:

## **Background/Supporting Information**

### Scope

The proposed project consists of reconstructing the following oiled dirt roadways: Winter St NE from cul-de-sac to 15<sup>th</sup> Ave SE; Ulysses St NE from Winter St NE to the dead-end; Garfield St NE from E Hennepin Av to Winter St NE; 14<sup>th</sup> Av SE from E Hennepin Av to dead-end; 15<sup>th</sup> Av SE from E Hennepin Av to Winter St NE; and 16<sup>th</sup> Av from E Hennepin Av to dead-end, as shown in attached map. The project will include full removal of the existing road, and replacing the paving, base, curb, gutter, signage and striping, storm main, storm drains, stormwater management technologies, drives, reconstruction of impacted sidewalks, impacted boulevards, and impacted landscaping.

### Schedule and Funding

The project is planned to be constructed in the 2013 construction season. A cost estimate for the project is \$4,930,000. The 2013 Mayor's Recommended Budget funding for the project includes:

- \$2,455,000 in net debt bonds;
- \$2,155,000 in special assessment bonds;
- \$680,000 in stormwater revenue; and
- \$65,000 in water revenue.

### Assessments

As provided in Chapter 10, Section 8 of the City Charter, submitted herewith is a list of parcels with owner's names, as nearly as can be readily ascertained, which would be benefited by and assessed for the Winter St NE Reconstruction Project.

The street construction special assessments would be determined by applying the 2013 Uniform Assessment Rates to the land area of benefited parcels located within the street influence zone along the improved streets.

### Abandonment and Removal of Conflicting Areaways

Section 95.90 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances provides a procedure for dealing with areaway encroachments that would interfere with public improvements being made in the public right-of-way such as street construction. Before the City may abandon and remove conflicting areaways (upon the failure of the abutting property owner to resolve or agree to resolve the conflict) and then later assess the costs, a public hearing must be held. It is our

recommendation that this areaway public hearing be held in conjunction with the Winter St NE Reconstruction Project Approval and Public Hearing. Prior to the areaway public hearing notices being given, the City Engineer will have provided the initial notice required in Section 95.90 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances.

Cc: CM Reich, Ward 1  
Jack Qvale, Board of Estimation and Taxation